



City of Takoma Park

Takoma Park Police Department

Montgomery Parks Extends Parkways for the Fourth of July Holiday Announces Operating Hours

Montgomery Parks, part of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, announces operating hours for the Independence Day weekend, including extending its open parkways through Tuesday, July 6, at 7 am for the holiday weekend. The annual Germantown Glory Fireworks Display hosted by Montgomery County Recreation at South Germantown Recreational Park has been canceled.

From boating to golfing, camping to picnicking, biking to birdwatching, there is something for everyone in the parks over the holiday weekend.

Open facilities include:

- [Parks, trails, gardens, playgrounds, dog parks, skate parks, outdoor exercise stations](#), and [outdoor tennis/pickleball and basketball courts](#)* are open daily sunrise to sunset. (*Select outdoor courts are available for rental.)
- [Picnic shelters](#) and [campfire rings](#) are available for rental at several locations.
- [Little Bennett Campground](#)
- Boat rentals at [Lake Needwood](#) and [Little Seneca Lake](#)
- [Cabin John Miniature Train](#) and [Wheaton Miniature Train and Carousel](#)
- [South Germantown SplashPark and Mini Golf](#)
- [South Germantown Driving Range](#)
- The [in-line hockey rink at Ridge Road Recreational Park](#) and [street hockey/futsal rink at Dewey Local Park](#) may be permitted, or are available first-come, first serve, if not reserved.
- [Brookside Gardens](#) grounds open daily sunrise-sunset, Visitor Center and Gift Shop open daily 10 am to 4 pm, Conservatory open daily 10 am to 2 pm.
- [Black Hill Nature Programs](#), Saturday and Sunday, 11 am to 6 pm.
- [Brookside Nature Center](#), Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm; Sunday, 1 pm to 5 pm.
 - [Locust Grove Nature Center](#), Saturday and Sunday, 1:00 pm to 6 pm.
 - [Josiah Henson Museum and Park](#), Saturday July 3, 10 am to 4 pm. [Timed entry tickets required](#). Closed on Friday July 2 and Sunday, July 4.
 - [Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park](#) Museum & Visitor Center, Friday and Saturday 10 am to 3 pm.

Open Parkways Schedule:

Portions of Sligo Creek Parkway, Beach Drive, and Little Falls Parkway will be open to pedestrians and bicyclists for exercise and recreation during the hours stated below.

Friday, July 2, at 9 am, through Tuesday, July 6, at 7 am

- Sligo Creek Parkway
 - Old Carroll Avenue to Piney Branch Road (1.1 miles)
 - Forest Glen Road to University Boulevard West (1.5 miles)
- Beach Drive from Connecticut Avenue to Knowles Avenue (2.7 miles)

Saturday, July 3, at 7 am, through Tuesday, July 6, at 7 am

- Little Falls Parkway from River Road to Arlington Road (1 mile)

The following facilities will be CLOSED in observance of Independence Day

- Montgomery Parks Headquarters and Permits Offices (closed July 5)
- Montgomery Parks Customer Service Office (closed July 3 and July 5)
- [Pauline Betz Addie](#) and [Wheaton Indoor](#) Tennis Centers (closed July 4)
- [Cabin John Ice Rink](#) and [Wheaton Ice Arena](#) (closed July 4)
- [Josiah Henson Museum and Park](#) (closed July 4)
- Meadowside Nature Center is closed for building renovations.

Need a jump-start on your holiday weekend planning? Visit the [Parks' Picks blog](#) for a weekly list of fun things to do or see in Montgomery Parks.

About Montgomery Parks

Montgomery Parks manages more than 37,000 acres of parkland, consisting of 424 parks. Montgomery Parks is a department of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), a bi-county agency established in 1927 to steward public land. M-NCPPC has been nationally recognized for its high-quality parks and recreation services and is regarded as a national model by other parks systems. www.MontgomeryParks.org

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